

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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RE:

MUR 4719

New Jersey Republican State Committee and H. George Buckwald, as Treasurer

Dear Ms. Harbeck:

This is in response to your letter by facsimile dated and received on July 17, 1998, and our telephone conversation on July 20, 1998, by which you requested an additional extension of 10 days beyond the current extended due date of July 21, 1998, to respond to the Commission's reason to believe finding in the above-referenced matter. After considering the circumstances presented in your letter, the Office of the General Counsel has granted the requested extension. Accordingly, the response is due by the close of business on July 31, 1998. Since this extension will impact the timing of possible preprobable cause conciliation, see Chairman Aikens' June 11, 1998 letter to Peter G. Sheridan, Esq., it is important that the extended deadline be met. If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

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